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#### SUMMARY OF DAY'S NEWS.

THE WEATHER.

SHINGTON, Sept. 19.—Forecast for y and Saturday: shina—Fair in south, showers and r in north portion Friday; fresh winds. Saturday fair, th Carolina—Fair Friday; fresh to east winds. Saturday partly y.

The sun regained a portion of its lost power yesterday, and a portion of the day was somewhat unpleasant. Last night a good breeze did much to make conditions setter. Showers with coder weather are predicted for to-day, and to-morrow will likely be fair.

STATE OF THE THERMOMETER.

Highest temperature yesterday.....
Lowest temperature yesterday.....
Mean temperature yesterday....
Normal temperature for September.
Departure from normal temperature.
Precipitation during past 24 hours...

MINIATURE ALMANAC. 

RICHMOND.

Senator Martin issues statement on late primary plan—Movement of conderrible Importance in the public schools are the interest of the full Democratic vote at the prinary; labor people expected to participate generally—Registration boards to sein sitting next Tuesday—Henrico and ichmond representatives to confer relating the extension of the corporate mits—New financial plan for the city of the prinary; labor people expected to ender relating the extension of the corporate mits—New financial plan for the city of the prinary of the considered shortly—Clay Ward Cityes to elect officers—Funeral of idge E. C. Minor at 5 o'clock this afternon; city officials and Bar Association of the corporate of the considered shortly—Clay ward to be decided in the continuation of the control of the

Two thousand people at Statesville forcibly tear away the Jall enclosure to witness a hanging—Ex-policeman drowned in Nowberne—The corner-stone of an Odd-Fellows' lodge laid with ceremony at Ferguson's Wharf—The Illiteracy statisties of North Carolina are found to be erroneous—Senator Simmons declare his faith in Gorman as a Presidential witner.

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Sensational shooting in the express office in Jacksonville, Fla., where J. E. Blark, after a futile effort to kill his wife, fatally wounds her brother. John F. Angel—The situation at Beirut mote quiet, but continuous reports made of massacres of Bulgarians in Macedonia—United States Minister Leishman presents demand for the dismissal of Reshid Pasha, and it is reported that Vasim Pasha has been appointed vail of Beirut in his stead—Senator Beverldge, after a talk with the President, declares there will be no sweeping financial legislation at the next session of Congress—Sevenit railroads disasters, in which lives are lost—Fitzhugh Smith, who claims to have been close friend of Lincoli's, has woman arrested for having his horse, alleged to have been stolen—Senator Hear declares the plan of John Temple Graves for sending the negro away is not practicable—Ninth day of big shooting tournament at Sen Girt crowded with events of interest; Corporal Winder, of Ohlo, wins Leoch cup—The leading teams in both base-ball leagues win—Filly Buck, driven under lash, wins the Charter Oak Stake—One South Carolinian kills another in a difficulty over a debt—Murder in Alabama growing out of old family feud—Annual report of Nerfolk and Western makes fine showing—Bob Fitzsimmons and Con Coughlan to fight in Philadelphia the 25th—A thousand coal miners, out on strike in Texas—The stock market more active, but the activity made at the expense of prices.

#### FOUR TRAINMEN KILLED BY BRIDGE DISASTER

ARDMORE, 1. T., September 10.—An engine and fourteen gravel-cars went through a bridge near Hugo, on the Arkansas and Choctaw road, to-day, killing four of the crew. The dead are;
A. M. HANNA, conductor.
C. L. MILLER, fireman.
M. M'ALLIN, engineer.
J. T., HILL, brakeman.
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## TO CEASE STUDYING AT NIGHT

Plan of School Board to Relieve Pupils.

WILL PROVIDE FOR HOUR OF STUDY

Scholars Will Get Lessons Alded by Teachers.

**EXAMINATIONS MAY** BE DONE AWAY WITH

Plan Applied to the High School More Than Likely to be Extended to All the Schools of the City-Secret Meeting Held by School Board On Yesterday

the public school system itself.

ing energy for Friday's test. This year "marking" day may be Monday, Thursday or any other day, as the teacher clocts. This latter feature belongs also to the Normal School.

Examinations to Go.

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It is now pretty certain that examinations as a rule are to "go," even in the listrict schools. At the meeting of the Loard when such action was taken in regard to the High Schools, the question of extending what for Richmond is an innovation to the district schools was discussed, but the body was not prepared to take decisive action. Many of the members, perhaps all, were unquestionably in favor of sending the iron-clad custom to limbo, but were not prepared to fix the circumstances under which the examination should or should not be held. A joint committee, composed of the district principals, was appointed to take the matter up and report upon it, and, if favorably, a datalled plan by which it could be carried into effect. That joint committee held a secret session yesterday afternoon. There is reason to believe that this body decided to report favorably upon giving up examinations must Wednesday at \$390 o'clock in room No. 5. City and the subject of the granting of railway franchises will be taken

## CROWD FORCIBLY WITNESS HANGING

People Tear Away the Inclosure to Get a View of the Execution.

(Special to The Times-Dispaten.)

SALISBURY, N. C., September 10.—
Wilford Roseboro, colored, aged twentytwo years, was hanged in the fall yard at
Statesville, N. C., to-day for the musior
of Mrs. Dolph Beaver, in July. The
county commissioners had ordered thet
the execution be private as prescribed by
law, but at the last moment, the surging
mass of people outside the enclosure tore
away the canvas and fully 2,000 people
te agerly witnessed the execution. Roseboro maintained a stubborn stolid appearance until the trap was spring by
Sheriff Summers. He made no confession, except a statement soon after his
conviction in which he admitted his guilt.
His mother and relatives refused to accept the dead body, and it was sent to
Raleigh for dissection.

tions as a rule, and will outline a plan for the board's consideration when it meets on Morday afternoon. But the committee declined, at the request of the chairman, Mr. Ebel, to say anything whatever about what conclusions were reached or the nature of the discussions. Nothing will be given out by it until everything is laid before the school board in session.

General Waking Up.

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The reason for bolleving the committee will report a plan for doing away with examinations save in exceptional cases is the known partiality to kicking them out of the way entertained by so many members of the School Board and so many school principals. The School Board is evidently in earnest and is doing everything in its power to advance popular education in the city. The body will find much encouragement along the way. The principals and teachers are fairly bubbling over with enthusiasm for modern methods and modern equipment, and every new move of the board is met at least half way by pedagogues. And rapid strides are being made. There is a general waking up.

#### **BEGUN WITH MORTGAGE** ENDED IN A MURDER

(By Associated Press.)

BIRMINGHAM, ALA., September 10.—
A special from Selma, Ala., says George W. Coleman waylaid and shot to death David A. Calvin. The killing occurred rehind Calvin's house. After firing two shots and as Calvin lay dying, Coleman, it is said, reloaded his gun and fired a third charge into the prostrate man. Coleman surrendered, but refused to talk. The tragedy is said to be the outgrowth of an old family feud. Calvin was a cousin of Mrs. Coleman. Some time ago she left her husband and made her home with Calvin's family. Recently her husband wanted her to sign a mortgage and to give up the custody of their children. This she refused, and Coleman, it is said, charged her refusal to the influence of Calvin.

#### MISS ALICE TAKES DIVE IN SUBMARINE BOAT

#### SOUTH CAROLINATRAGEDY ON ACCOUNT OF A DEBT

at Tucapau, S. C., was and an any esterday afternoon by Harvey Dean, age eighteen, a farmer. Dean came to Spartanburg, surrendered to Sheriff Vernon, and is now in jall.

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#### HOTEL MEN CALL ON **BOOKER WASHINGTON**

(By Associated Press.)
INDIANAPOLIS, IND., September 10.—
The third annual convention of the
International Hotel Stewards' Association
began this morning, with 150 members
present. Mayor Bookwalter addressed the
convention. A resolution was adopted
urging Booker T. Washington to establish at the Tuskege Institute a training
school for kitchen and dining-room employes.

#### THREE MEN KILLED AND CARS DITCHED

(By Associated Press.)
HUGO, I. T., September 10.—An engine on the Arkansas and Choetaw went through a bridge eight miles west of here this afternoon, and killed Engineer Robert McClellan, Fireman A. J. Barton, and Brakeman W. H. Hill, and put fifteen cars in the ditch.

# ST.-CAR MATTERS

Investigation Committee to Resume Next Wednes-

day Night.

The Committee of Municipal Investigation which is engaged in probing into the methods of conducting the city's business through the Council and which took a recess during the monta of August, will resume operations next Wednesday night at 8:30 o'clock in room No. 5. City Hall, and the subject of the granting of street rallway franchises will be taken up. Chairman Minor when seen on the subject declined to give out the list of witnesses who will be called at the meeting, but it is understood that among them will be some of the most prominent lawyers and officers who were connected with the companies when the fight was in progress, as well as some prominent local Democratic politicians who are alleged to have taken part in the fight.

The committee is composed of eight of the best men in the Council, and they are doing all in their power to get at the bottom facts in connection with the subjects under investigation.

The members of the committee are Messrs. John B. Minor, chairman; Spence, Hargrove, Morton, Fergusson, Anderson, Sheppard and Rennolds, and they are showing every determination to have a real investigation, and it looks as if there might be some spicy developments before it is over.

### FOUR LIVES LOST BY COLLAPSE OF SCAFFOLD

(By Associated Press.)

DULUTH, MINN., September 10.—Four men engaged in repairing a break in the Peavy concrete elevator were instantly killed and one man seriously injured by the collapse of a scaffold this evening.

## SHOT WHILE PROTECTING HIS SISTER

Stark Fatally Wounded by Brother-in-Law.

#### ATTACKS HIS WIFE. BUT IS DISARMED

Declares He Sent for Her to Kill Her.

SOON RETURNS AND SHOOTS TO KILL

Wife, and Then Take Aim at Her Brother Who

(By Associated Press.)

J. E. Stark shot and fatally wounded John to do her bodily harm when he endeavore

wife suspected that her husband meant to do her bodily harm when he endeavored to get her to go to his hotel. She desired to remain near her brother and declined to go.

"I have brought you here to kill you," Stark said. Quick as a finsh his wife seized him as he was endeavoring to draw a pistol. She pinloned his arms and her cries brought her brother. The pistol was taken from Stark before it was drawn. Words between the two men followed and blows were exchanged, Stark went to a pawn shop, where he procured another pistol, and returned. He entered the office and walked to the cage where Angel was at work with his back turned. Resting the pistol in one of the small steel holes of the cage, he fired, the ball striking Angel in the back of the head and lodging near the brain. Angel fell. Stark looked about him and started to leave, when a brother of Angel appeared and seized him. The brother made an effort to kill Stark with a knife, but others interfered, and the police placed Stark under arrest. Angel is St. Luke's Hospital. No hopes are entertained for his recovery, but he will live until morning.

The defense that Stark's lawyer will make is that he was insane, a theory which is generally accepted by those who know him and who have been with him during the past few days.

Stark was formerly auditor of the Jacksonville, Tampa and Key West road. Angel was cashier of the Southern Express Company.

## **NEEDED LONG SKIRT** TO GET MARRIED IN

Romantic Elopement of a Lynchburg Girl Who Borrowed a Dress.

rowed a Dress.

(Special to The Times-Dispatch.)

CHARLOTTESVILLE, VA., September 10.—After borrowing a long dress from the sister of the groom-elect, pretty Virginia Bowling, the fifteen-year-old daughter of Mr. W. T. Bowling, of Lynchburg, Va., eloped from Charlottesville to Washington, and married Mr. Lewis A. Hofman, an industrious young man of this city, and an alumnus of the Miller School. Young Hofman went to Lynchburg on Tuesday and met his sweetheart, who told her parents that she was going to spend the night with a girl friend in the Hill City, instead, she and Mr. Hofman boarded the train for this city, and went to the home of Mrs. Hofman, on Jefferson Street. The mother, ignorant of the intentions of the young people, welcomed the visitor to her home, but when she was awakened at 3 o'clock yesterday morning by her daughter and told that her son and Virginia were going to take the train for Washington to be married, she was astounded, and, after vainly endeavoring to persuade them from the step, broke down and cried. After remarking that a minister would never marry her in the short dress which she wore, the young girl borrowed a more lengthy skirt from Miss Irene Hofman, and, a moment later the young couple departed for the station, where they took the Chsapeak and Ohio train for Washinston.

Becoming uneasy at the failure of his daughter to return home, the failure of L. A. Hoffman, "asking the whereabouts of Virginia. A reply was sent, stating that they had hoarded to the "mother of L. A. Hoffman," asking the whereabouts of Virginia. A reply was sent, stating that her help to one to have been aware of the intention of the young people, recently made her debut in the eliterary field, the April number of Munsey's containing a story from her pen.

#### YELLOW FEVER RAGES AND MANY ARE DYING

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(By Associated Press.)

According to official statements from the Yucatan government, there were 128 cases of yellow fever in this city during August, of which 50 proved fatal. In Progress, during the same period, there were line yellow for the same period, there were line cases, but no death,

## MARTIN FOR THE PRIMARY

He is Willing to Submit His Own Political Fortunes to It-Thinks It Should Have Fair and Just Trial.

"I see no occasion to enter into any discussion of it (the primary at this time. So far as I there has been no organized effort either for or against in relain the State, and I think it ought to have a just and fair trial. So far as I am personally concerned I am not antagonizing it and have no desire to see it anta-Experience will determine whether or not the interest of the Democracy will be promoted

by continuing the plan as it is. "I am perfectly satisfied to submit my political fortunes to the people of Virginia under the existing plan or under any other plan that may at any time be provided by the party in the State."

This statement was made by United States Senator Thomas S. Martin to a reporter for The Times-Dispatch at Murphy's Hotel last night in answer to an inquiry as to his attitude toward the Democratic party plan of primaries for nominating senators and State officers. The statement quoted was made with the utmost emphasis by the Senator.

It will be recalled by those who remember the campaign for the senatorship four years ago, when Governor Tyler opposed the Senator, that Mr. Martin issued a statement, declaring that he favored ar amendment to the Federal Constitution providing for the election of Senators by the people. Since that time, however, there has been much discussion in and out of the press as to the junior Senator's attitude toward primaries for the nomination of a Senator. The statement quoted above will set at rest any uncertainty on this point.

Senator Martin arrived in the city yesterday evening on personal and private business, as he stated to the reporter. He expects to remain in the city to-day and will in all probability go down to Newport News to-morrow to the launching unless something should occur

Further than the above statement, the Senator did not discuss politics or the campaign for the senatorship.

# ON VERGE OF FITZ SMITH A PRECIPICE AND A HORSE

Tries to Recover Animal from

Miss Morris.

Credit for Breaking Backbone of

Confederacy's Fight-Protege

of Gerrit Smith.

AN ELOPEMENT OF

A SCHOOL GIRL

Engineer Runs Away With

His Dead Wife's Young

Sister. (Special to The Times-Dispatch.)
CHARLOTTESVILLE, VA., September

English Diplomat Thus Describes Balkan Situation.

WARNING TO THE POWERS WAS FRIEND OF LINCOLN

ernment Nor the People Can Remain Neutral with Massacres Continuing-Vali Dismissed.

danger point. All indications

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## TO MAKE RICHMOND A GREATER CITY

Representatives of This Place and Henrico Are to Confer.

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At the monthly meeting of the directors of the Chamber of Commerce yesterday, there were no reports of standing committees, but the question of the extension of the corporate limits of Richmond and of the passage of an equitable and practicable bill in accordance with the provision of the Constitution requiring a general law for the extension of the corporate limits of cities and towns being broached, quite a lengthy and animated discussion ensued upon the subject, participated in by Messrs, Easley, Williams, Hardwicke, Gunst, Woodward, Hutzler, Bowe and others.

In this discussion, it was conceded on all hands that a just law was desirable and necessary, and with the view, if possible, or harmonizing conflicting views, the following resolution, offered by Mr. Bowe and soonded by Mr. Freeman and Mr. Crenshaw, was adopted, viz.

That the presont representatives of the city of Richmond and the county of Henrico be requested to hold a conference for the purpose of reconciling conflicting views upon this measure as developed at the last meeting of the General Assembly, and with the view of having a suitable law enucted upon the subject at the approaching session of the Legislature.

Messrs. Green and Redd, real estate agents, proposed by Mr. H. L. Cabell, were unanimously elected members of the chamber.

Those present were Mr. H. L. Cabell, president, and Mossrs. N. W. Bowe, W.

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Issue in Campaign.

A STURDY OPPONENT IN DR. DON SCOTT

publican and Democratic Ticket Col. Kirby Defeats T. L. George for the Democratic House Nomination-No Primary in King William.

be filled this fall and Democratic candi-

(Special to The Times-Dispatch.)
NEW YORK, September 10.—Fitzhugh
Smith, of this city, friend of Lincoln, a
licutement in the Federal army, once can-

the well known Abolitionist, who married a Miss Fitzhugh, of Richmond, Va., and Miss Fitzhugh, of Richmond, Va., and Miss Fitzhugh, of Richmond, Va., and Miss Fitzhugh, of Richmond, Va., after the John Brown raid at Harper's Ferry, gn a charge of having been connected with that movement. In a sketch of his own life, Mr. Smith says:

"In the early days of 'rebellion,' Mr. Smith was sent in charge of the advance poket to guard the ford on the Potomac River from Harper's Ferry, Va. There the Charleston, Va., guards came down, gave battle, and some were killed and wounded. At the Second Battle of Bull Run General Fitz-John Porter had left the Union army whipped and General McDowell, with the reserves, had broken and skedaddied. Smith formed a line of stragglers and volunteers across the path of the retreating army near Centerville, Va., thus blocking the fleeing army.

"President Thecoln sent for Fitzhugh Smith and told him before others he knew of his little act and believed that Fitchugh was instrumental in the hand of God of breaking the backbone of the Confederacy's fight."

The contest for the office of Commonwell of the realing the backbone of the Confederacy's fight."

mary machinery was controlled by Fredus
of Judge Campbell.

ANOTHER CLOSE CONTEST.

The contest for the office of Commonwealth's Attorney is scarcely less exciting than that for the House, O. L.

Evans, the incumbent, who prosecuted
Judge Campbell at the trial growing out
of the horse whipping, which the latter
gave Dr. Crawford, is opposed by T. C.

Payne, who defended Judge Campbell,
The vote will be closer than in the House
ontest. It is admitted that the chances
are with Payne, Captain-John M. Payne
is also a candidate, R. H. Drummond is
opposing Sheriff John P. Beard for raelection, the Beard people are very confident.

dent.

H. C. Joyner, the county treasurer, has
no opposition for the office he has filled
for eighteen years,
A safe bet could not be made on the result as between Campbell and Scott, but
if determined to bet I should rather have
my money on Scott,
WALTER EDWARD HARRIS.

10.—A telegram announces the marriage in Rockville, Md., of Woods Garth, a Chesapeake and Ohlo engineer and member of the well known Garth family of Albertmarie, and Miss Mary Maupin, third daughter of County Clerk William L. Maupin.

The sixteen-year-old bride cloped from the school room, telling the teacher she had headache. Entering a hack near by, and Mr. Garth drove to the station and took the neon train North.

The groom's first wife was a sister to the bride.

WALTER EDWARD HARRIS.

Col. Kirby Secures Democratic Nomis nation Over Gwyn.

(Special to The Times-Dispatch.)
INDEFENDENCE, VA., September 19.—
The Republicans held a mass meeting as head nominated Daniel Burick for treasure.

The groom's first wife was a sister to the bride.